

Mr. Christopher J. Morse Campaign Finance Analyst Reports Analysis Division Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20463

Re:

I. May Monthly (04/01/06-04/30/06)

Dear Mr. Morse:

We have received your letters dated June 14, 2006 regarding the Illinois Republican Party's May Monthly (04/01/06-04/30/06) reports

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- 1. The payments referenced on Schedule B supporting Line 30(b) of our report discloses payment(s) made for "FEA: Postage." These expenditures were for the Illinois Republican Party's own fundraising activities and do not reference any clearly identified Federal candidate and do not promote, support, attack or oppose any Federal candidate. Likewise these expenditures do not constitute express advocacy and do not result in any in-kind contributions, independent expenditures, or coordinated party expenditures.
- 2. The payment(s) referenced on Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) of our report discloses a payment(s) for "Payroll" and "Non-FEA Health Insurance." These salaries, wages, compensated time, and "fringe benefits" are those of employees who do not spend more than 25% of their time on Federal election activity or activities in connection with a Federal election. Therefore, these expenditures are allocable between or among federal and non-federal accounts.
- 3. The payment(s) referenced on Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) on our report discloses a payment(s) for "Photography." This expenditure was not for the purpose of public communications that refer to a clearly identified Federal candidate and it does not promote, support, attack or oppose any Federal candidate. Likewise these expenditures do not constitute express advocacy and do not result in any in-kind contributions, independent expenditures, or coordinated party expenditures.

Sincerely,

Dave Syverson Treasurer Illinois Republican Party